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not claim a multiple layer core. The Examiner concluded that Proudfit teaches a multiple layer core, and one skilled in the art would have used a multiple layer core to achieve the desired flight characteristics.

Although Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner, in an effort to hasten prosecution, Applicants herein submit a Terminal Disclaimer which disclaims the terminal portion of any patent granting from the instant application, as required under MPEP § 1490. Applicants respectfully submit that this overcomes the obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the application by this Amendment. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney if it is deemed that a telephone conversation will hasten prosecution of the application.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of each of the presently rejected claims, claims 28 to 43, 45 to 53, 62 to 80, 90 to 111 and 113 to 115. Applicants respectfully request allowance of claims 28 to 43, 45 to 53, 62 to 80, 90 to 111 and 113 to 115, the claims currently pending in the present application.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE
IN THE SPECIFICATION

The paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4, has been replaced with the following rewritten paragraph:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/839,816, filed on April 20, 2001, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/335,302, filed on June 17, 1999, issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,220,972, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/743,579 filed on November 4, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,833,553, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/240,259 filed May 10, 1994, now abandoned, which is in turn a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/054,406, filed April 28, 1993, which issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,368,304.